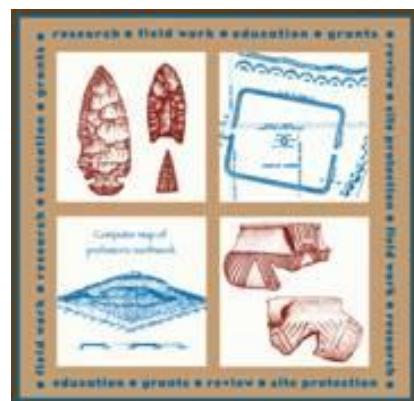




Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA)*

August 2012

- **Archaeology Roadshow**- State Archaeologist Dr. Rick Jones and Amy Johnson, Senior Archaeologist and Archaeology Outreach Coordinator, will be hosting an archaeology roadshow at this year's Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis. They will be in the Amphitheater behind the DNR building from 1-3 pm on Sunday, August 12th. Feel free to bring an archaeological artifact (one per person) for identification. No monetary values will be provided. In addition, a variety of free archaeological handouts, including *Early Peoples of Indiana*, will be available to those who stop by. This event provides a good preview of the types of activities which will be available around the state during the following month, September, which is Indiana Archaeology Month. To learn about more DNR activities and events during the Indiana State Fair, go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/5494.htm>.
- **Heritage Day**- On August 9th, learn about Hoosier history at the annual Hoosier Heritage Day at the Indiana State Fair, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., on State Fair Boulevard. To find out more, go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/6080.htm>.
- **Outreach in Kosciusko County**- On July 12 and 19, 2012, Cathy Draeger-Williams was invited to speak on Indiana archaeology at C.O. Mollenhour, Conservation Camp. The camp for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 14 teaches the importance of conservation, teamwork, leadership, sportsmanship and an awareness of the outdoors. The camp members were inquisitive and respectful, and Cathy enjoyed her time with them.
- **Indiana Archaeology Month**- We have a month until Indiana Archaeology Month begins. If you have an archaeology event planned during or around September that you would like listed in the official Calendar of Events, please complete the form at



<http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/4288.htm> and submit it to our office by **August 6th**. We look forward to the many exciting activities that will take place and hope that you will be able to join in the fun and learning. The Calendar of Events will be available on our webpage later this month.

Soon we will be sending out information regarding the availability of the commemorative posters and shirts. This year's focus of Archaeology Month is going to be underwater archaeology in Indiana because there has been a recent resurgence in interest in underwater cultural resources and their protection. If you have any questions about Archaeology Month, don't hesitate to contact Amy Johnson, Archaeology Outreach Coordinator at 317/232-6982 or ajohnson@dnr.IN.gov.

- **Call for Papers-** The Indiana Department of Natural Resources' Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA) is currently accepting article submissions for Volume 8 (1) of *Indiana Archaeology*. The target audience of the journal includes: the general public, professional archaeologists, avocational archaeologists, and anyone else interested in the history and prehistory of Indiana. This journal continues a tradition of scholarly research, and important contributions, in the science of archaeology. The topics are primarily specific to Indiana, but they also have importance in the broader context of Midwestern archaeology.

Edited by Indiana State Archaeologist Dr. Rick Jones and Amy Johnson, Senior Archaeologist and Archaeology Outreach Coordinator, the journal includes articles written for a broader audience, while still maintaining a high scholarly constitution. In order to share information regarding the archaeology which is being conducted using monies from the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service's Historic Preservation Fund (HPF), a requirement of each archaeology HPF grant in Indiana is to submit an article summarizing the goals and accomplishments of the project. Additional articles and features/reports on archaeological topics or projects which did not utilize HPF funds are also included. Although the title of the document is *Indiana Archaeology*, the editors also welcome articles on archaeological topics related to surrounding states. The journal is one that can incorporate information on a regional level, and the public and professionals both can benefit by having access to these types of articles on archaeology in our neighboring states.

If qualified professional archaeologists, professionals in fields related to archaeology, avocational archaeologists, and knowledgeable individuals with expertise in relevant topics wish to tender a credible submission, please contact the editors for consideration prior to submission. If individuals or groups have particular topics or ideas they wish to offer, the editors welcome suggestions. For those who are interested in submitting an article for consideration, please submit your draft to the DHPA no later than **December 31, 2012**.

This online journal will be available on the [DHPA website](#). For questions regarding *Indiana Archaeology*, submissions of articles, or article specifications, do not hesitate to contact Amy Johnson at ajohnson@dnr.IN.gov or Dr. Rick Jones at rjones@dnr.IN.gov.

- **Archaeological Site of the Month**- The Early Woodland Nowlin Mound (12D7) was located in Dearborn County on an upland formation near the Whitewater River (Black 1936). The following text is from *An Introduction to the Prehistory of Indiana* (Kellar 1993) <http://www.gbl.indiana.edu/abstracts/IHS/4ph.html>:

“Elliptical in ground plan and measuring 165 feet in length and 15 feet in height, it was one of the largest burial mounds in the state. Actually the mound had had a complex constructional story being composed of two adjacent early mounds, each of which had had multiple additions before the whole was covered by a single mantle of earth to bring it to its final form.”

“Seven log tombs were contained in the Nowlin Mound.”

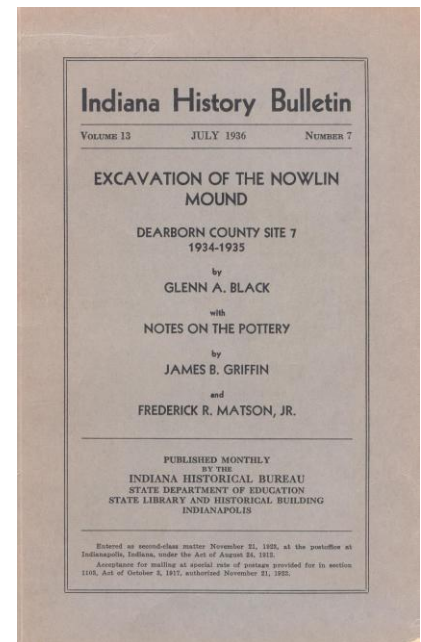
“Within the Nowlin Mound artifacts associated with the burials tended to be infrequent. Included were disk-shaped shell beads, *Marginella* beads, and others made from the columella of marine mollusks, corner and side-notched projectile points, bone awls, bone handles, and a plain sandstone "tablet." A C-shaped copper bracelet, among other artifacts, was recovered from a disturbed portion of the mound.”

The systematic archaeological investigations of the mound by Glenn A. Black have been described (<http://www.gbl.indiana.edu/aboutGB.php>; Kellar 1965) as follows: “His systematic dissection of the Nowlin Mound in southeastern Indiana and the subsequent report remain as significant landmarks in the history of American field archaeology.” In addition, “Probably no more precise description of mound structure is in print than that contained in the Nowlin Mound report.”

To see an early photograph of the mound, go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/earlypeople.pdf> (p. 23).

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- **State Historic Preservation Office Grant Opportunity**- The Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology now has Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grant application packets available for FY2013 at the DHPA website: www.IN.gov/dnr/historic. There are three categories of projects: Architectural & Historical, Archaeological, and Acquisition & Development (rehabilitation). Eligible applicants are government entities, non-profit organizations, and educational institutions. Archaeology projects must take place in Indiana. Please read all instructions carefully and thoroughly.

If you have questions about the application packets or potential projects, please contact Steve Kennedy at skennedy@dnr.in.gov or 317-232-6981.

The deadline for proposals is Friday, October 5, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. This is not a postmark deadline; all proposals must be received at the DHPA by the deadline. If you plan to hand-deliver your proposal, please be advised that all visitors to the Indiana Government Center-South must enter via the Public Entrance at 302 West Washington Street and pass through a metal detector. In addition, security at the Department of Natural Resources now requires visitors to check in at the reception desk near the escalators and the 2nd floor DNR main office. The reception desk is staffed from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Visitors may be asked to leave deliveries with the reception desk. Please plan accordingly and allow plenty of extra time to clear these security check points.

- **Conference**- On July 21st, Senior Archaeologist and Archaeology Outreach Coordinator Amy Johnson attended the conference titled *Avocational Contributions to Ohio Valley Archaeology*. The conference, sponsored by the Falls of the Ohio Archaeological Society, was informative, and several archaeological projects and sites in Indiana were highlighted. The DHPA was able to have a table at the event, and a number of our archaeology outreach documents were distributed.





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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage-
<http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/3674.htm>

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